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In re Patent Application of:
Holtman et al.

Application No.: 10/699,086

Art Unit: 3748

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For: Method and Apparatus for Exhaust Gas
Recirculation Cooling Using a Vortex Tube to
Cool Recirculated Exhaust Gases

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

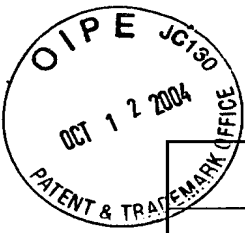
Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper. An attached replacement sheet for Fig. 2 is included.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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